



## Spring 2018 Edition



### GWCO Congress 2018 Highlights!

The Great Western Council of Optometry Board of Directors are hard at work planning for the 28th annual GWCO Congress at the Oregon Convention Center and DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel to be held in Portland, OR from October 11-18, 2018.

#### GWCO Congress 2018 Highlights

- 75+ Hours of Cutting Edge Education!
- Accreditation by COPE, ABO, NCLE & CPC!
- BOGO AOP Early-Bird Registration!
- Seminars with our Industry Partners!
- 2-Day Exhibit Hall Marketplace!
- Evening Events & More!

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### GWCO Connects!

Check out the message below from GWCO President, Dr. Curtis Ono!

Making connections builds relationships and partnerships- an important reason GWCO continues to grow and be successful. Here are several initiatives that we have been actively involved in:

- Industry
- Jobs
- AOA+ Leadership Link



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### GWCO Gives Back

The Great Western Council of Optometry (GWCO) is a non-profit association formed in 1991 to provide a common voice for members within organized optometry, facilitate communication, enhance professional developments and provide financial support to affiliated state optometric associations.

GWCO supports member states through the after-expense revenue, raised through support of GWCO which is given back to the states each year. Since 1997, that has meant more than \$2 million dollars.

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### GWCO 2017 Highlights

Check out this [video highlight reel](#) from GWCO Congress 2017!

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